Late release of reservation charts at New Delhi and Lucknow Railway Stations

157. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the railway reservation charts are usually released just before the departure of the trains at New Delhi and Lucknow railway stations;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the late release of reservation charts cause considerable hardships to the passengers; and

(c) what remedial measures Government propose to take to remove this hardship?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANSI LAL): (a) No, Sir. However, complaints of occasional delays in display of reservation charts at New Delhi and Lucknow have been received.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Officers and Supervisons have been instructed to make surprise inspections and rectify deficiencies, if any. Specific instances of delayed display of charts are viewed seriously and staff found responsible are sternly dealth with.

Intrusion into Indian Air Force Space in Ladakh by Pakistan Planes

158. SHRI SUSHIL CHAND MOHUNTA:
SHRI J. P. GOYAL:
SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK:
SHRI K. VASUDEVA PANICKER:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item which appeared in the 'Hindustan Times' of 1st June, 1985 to the effect that a fleet of six Pakistani combat planes recently intruded deep over Siachen Glacier and the adjoining Nubra Valley in Ladakh region on a photographic mission;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard and the number of occasions on which the Pakistani planes intruded into the Indian air space for similar mission; and

(c) what is the reaction of Government to the flagrant violation of Indian air space by Pakistani planes?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI P. V. NARASIMHA RAO): (a) Government have seen the media report in question.

(b) and (c) The violation of our air space by Pakistani combat planes in the Siachen Glacier area on 29-5-1985 has been taken up with the Government of Pakistan who have been urged to refrain from such activities. There have been some other cases of violation of our air space by Pakistani aircraft and these have been taken up with the Government of Pakistan from time to time.

Narmada Irrigation Project

159. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Maharashtra and Madhya Pradesh Governments have not contributed to the Gujarat their share for the execution of the Narmada Irrigation Project;

(b) what is the amount of loan finally decided by international agencies for the Narmada Irrigation Project; and how much has been disbursed;

(c) whether Government propose to introduce lift irrigation system in Saurashtra from Narmada canals to utilise the surplus waters as suggested by a section of the public of Saurashtra region; and